

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

ERRICA JAMES,

Plaintiff,

v.

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC
SCHOOLS, *et al*,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 24-10894 (RK)(JBD)

ORDER

This Court having held a telephone status conference on June 12, 2025 in the above-captioned matter; and for the reasons set forth on the record during that conference, and for good cause shown,

IT IS on this **13th** day of **June**, 2025,

ORDERED that defendant Makai Howard shall be afforded an adequate opportunity to seek counsel in this matter; and it is further

ORDERED that if Mr. Howard intends to retain counsel, counsel shall enter his or her appearance on or before **July 28, 2025**. If Mr. Howard wishes to obtain counsel, but cannot afford to retain counsel, he shall file via CM/ECF an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* on or before **July 28, 2025**; if such application is granted, he may request the appointment of *pro bono* counsel pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(1), *see Tabron v. Grace*, 6 F.3d 147, 156 (3d Cir. 1993); and it is further

ORDERED that the Clerk shall send an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* and form motion for *pro bono* counsel to Mr. Howard at the address on file; and it is further

ORDERED that, as set forth in the Court's text order dated May 28, 2025 [Dkt. 24], defendant Holley shall answer, move, or otherwise respond to the complaint by **July 20, 2025**; and it is further

ORDERED that all other pretrial scheduling deadlines are adjourned and further proceedings in this matter shall be stayed pending further order of the Court.



J. BRENDAN DAY
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE